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RAILROAD COMMISSION

Makes Important Changes in Rates and Classification

BENEFIT OF FRUIT SHIPPERS

Railroad Men Object to Changes Made by Commission.

There was a meeting of the Florida Railroad Commission yesterday for the purpose of making some important changes in certain classifications and rates. Chairman Day and Commissioner Morgan were present.

According to law no change in classification or rate can be made without notification to the various railroads interested. This is in order to give them an opportunity to present evidence and arguments in their own behalf.

The different roads were notified that the above mentioned meeting would be held, and the following corporations were represented:

The Georgia Southern and Florida, by John M. Cutler.

The Atlantic, Va. and Western, by Smith D. Pickett.

The Plant System, by J. A. Crosland.

The Seaboard Air Line, by E. D. Kyle.

The Louisville and Nashville, by F. C. Shepard.

The proposed change was in the classification of small fruits, berries and vegetable baskets. The old classification read:

"Baskets, viz.: Fruit, Berry and Vegetables, 10,000 pounds; Class P."

The change read:

"Baskets, viz.: Fruit and Berry, 10,000 pounds; Class P. Vegetable, 20,000 pounds; Class P."

The railroad representatives objected to this change, and presented some strong arguments, showing why it should not be made. They stated that the roads could not afford to do business under such a rating, but the commissioners thought otherwise, and the change was ordered.

This ruling means much for berry, fruit and vegetable growers. In the matter of fruits and berries it means an increase of 50 per cent. while in vegetable shipments it allows an increase of 100 per cent. This is not all the benefit that will accrue to farmers and truck-growers. Under the old rating, more than 10,000 pounds of fruit were shipped in one car, and the shippers were charged for two cars, now they are allowed 15,000 pounds to the car in shipping fruits and berries, and 20,000 pounds for vegetables.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. GWALTNEY.

Francis Lee Gwaltney, wife of Mr. Drew Gwaltney and daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth VanBrunt, was born in Leon county, Fla., May 18, 1879, and died in Tallahassee February 23, 1902, leaving a husband, one child, a mother, five sisters, two brothers and numerous friends to mourn her departure.

At an early age she joined the Methodist church, of which she remained a consistent member until the day of her death.

On the 18th of June, 1899, she was married to Mr. Gwaltney, with whom she lived happily for the short period of two years and nine months, when she was summoned to "join the innumerable caravan" that wends its silent way to that undiscovered country from whose bosom no traveler returns.

A dutiful daughter, affectionate wife and mother, her death will leave an aching void, not only in the hearts of those nearest to her, but also of all who knew and loved her—a void which can never be filled except by—

"The Great Physician who still is near,"
The sympathizing Jesus,
Who speaks the cheering word of cheer—
Oh, hear the voice of Jesus."

A FRIEND.

A GOODBY NAME.

The Washington Post of a recent date contained a very interesting article on the Mallorys of Florida, and gives some reminiscences concerning the elder Mallory that possess a historical value. The present senator from Florida is a son of Senator Stephen M. Mallory, who resigned his seat in the United States Senate in 1861, and later became a member of Mr. Davis' cabinet as Secretary of the Confederate Navy. He bears the same Christian name—Stephen R.—as his illustrious father, and has made a record in the Senate that is a tower of strength to him with the people of Florida. His term of office will expire on the fourth of March, 1903, and the Florida Legislature is to elect his successor this year, but it is generally conceded that he will succeed himself. It is the clear-headed, indomitable worker like Mr. Mallory who is of the greatest value to any State, and the people of Florida—if we may judge from its most progressive newspapers—seem to be fully cognizant of his worth as a national legislator—Salem (Virginia) Times-Register.

INVITATIONS ARE OUT.

The friends of Mr. Louis E. Cohen will be surprised to learn that he is to be united in marriage on March 19th, to Miss Etta Dzialynski, a popular young lady of Gainesville. The bride was formerly lived in Tallahassee, where she has many friends, and The Tallahassee joins with them in extending congratulations and well wishes in advance of the happy event. The following invitation has been received in this city:

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR FOR FLORIDA RIVERS

Annual Convention to be Held in Tallahassee Next Week

PROGRAM BEEN ARRANGED

Will Last Three Days, Beginning Friday Morning.

The fourteenth annual convention of the Florida State Union of the Christian Endeavor Society will be held in this city next week, beginning Friday, and continuing through Sunday, at the Presbyterian church.

It is expected that quite a crowd will be in attendance, as each society in the State, both senior and junior, is entitled to two delegates. The committees appointed for the occasion are:

Reception—Mr. Henry Wharton, Mr. Frank Black, Mrs. E. R. Hollinger, Mrs. W. V. Knott, Mrs. Lindsay Papp.

Music—Miss Janie Clark, Mr. Gaston Day, Mrs. Myers.

Decorations—Mrs. Bannerman, Mr. J. Mabry, Mr. Harold Hayes.

Literature—Miss Eliza McDougal, Miss Mary Apthorp.

A reception will be tendered at 7:30 Thursday evening at the residence of Mr. W. M. McIntosh, Jr.

On Friday morning the opening prayer service will be conducted by Rev. S. L. McCarty. Addresses of welcome will be delivered by ex-Governor Bloxham and Mr. H. E. Bennett, with responses in behalf of the State Union by Mr. E. S. Upham, of South Lake Weir, and in behalf of the International Union by Clarence E. Eberman, of Boston.

An interesting program has been arranged for the entire convention. Many prominent speakers from different parts of the State will be present. On Saturday the convention will meet in the Baptist church, where addresses will be made by leaders in Endeavor work, including one by Rev. C. E. Eberman, of Boston. Sunday evening the delegates will meet in the Methodist church, where the Christian Endeavor prayer meeting will be led by Mr. W. F. Child.

Sunday afternoon at 2:30 the Junior exercises will be conducted by Mrs. W. V. Knott, of Tallahassee. At 3:30 Rev. C. E. Eberman, of Boston, will give an interesting talk to children.

THE BEST TIME.

The best time to cure a cough or cold is when you are first affected. A pleasant and sure remedy for sore throat, weak lungs, bronchial soreness, coughing spells, etc., is Gooch's Mexican Syrup for coughs and consumption. Be wise in time and keep a bottle in your medicine chest, always handy for immediate use, remembering the old adage, "a stitch in time saves nine." It is a true lung tonic and sells for only 25 cents.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Appointed for Ensuing Year at Council Meeting Tuesday Night.

A special meeting of the city council will be held in the city hall Tuesday night. The object was to hear the appointments of standing committees for the ensuing year. No other business was transacted. The committees are as follows:

Finance—W. F. Quail, A. C. Spiller, L. C. Yaeger.

Waterworks—Julius Ball, C. W. Perkins, R. J. Phillips.

Sanitation—J. A. Edmondson, Julius Ball, A. C. Spiller.

Laws and Ordinances—J. A. Edmondson, Julius Ball, C. W. Perkins.

Streets—R. J. Phillips, L. C. Yaeger, L. M. Lively.

Cemetery—C. W. Perkins, Julius Ball, W. F. Quail.

Markets—A. C. Spiller, L. M. Lively, W. F. Quail.

Lights—L. C. Yaeger, J. A. Edmondson, L. M. Lively.

Fire—Department—L. M. Lively, R. J. Phillips, A. C. Spiller.

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THANKS.

I take this method of thanking the good people of Tallahassee for their kindness and aid during the illness of my dear wife, who has now gone to rest; also the sweet care and attention shown us toward my wife's mother, Mrs. B. E. VanBrunt, who is now getting well. May God take care of us all and join our hands together in heaven.

DREW GWALTNEY.

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THE FLORIDA CANAL

Bill Introduced in House to Appropriates \$8,000,000

MISSISSIPPI AND ST. MARYS

To be Connected by Canal—Major Obstacle Great Scheme.

Notwithstanding Major Gamble's 87 years, he is an indefatigable worker and hangs on to an undertaking with a tenacity that not only inspires confidence, but is bound to bring success.

For several years the major has been working on a scheme for the construction of a canal to connect the waters of the Mississippi river and the St. Mary's river in Georgia. A glance at the map will show the great advantage such a waterway would be to Florida in the transportation of freight, saving what would be a long sea voyage around the entire State.

Mr. Gamble has seen the advantage of such a canal, and he has been working hard to bring his plans to a focus. He has had descriptive pamphlets printed and circulated, and since Congress opened, he has written over one hundred personal letters to Senators and Representatives, soliciting their aid in the great work.

At Major Gamble's earnest solicitation, Representative Richardson, of Alabama, on February 20th, introduced in the House a bill to appropriate \$8,000,000 for the construction of a waterway and canal connecting the waters of the Mississippi with the St. Marys river in Georgia, along the land-locked waters of the Gulf coast in the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida, and a canal from St. George's sound in Florida to St. Mary's river in Georgia.

The proposed enterprise is for the benefit of Southern industries, and if successful will practically make an island of the Southeast corner of the United States.

The line of the proposed canal starts at the Mississippi river, runs through the land-locked waters on the coast of the States mentioned, to and into St. George's sound in Florida, thence by canal to the St. Marys river in Florida, thence eastward to the line surveyed in 1880 by General B. Moore for a ship canal.

This line will be encountered at Ellaville on the Suwannee river. From here the canal to run along this survey to a point at level in the Okefinoche swamps in Georgia, thence east to St. Mary's river at Camp Pinckney, where the waters of the St. Mary's will carry vessels of 14 feet draught.

Mr. Richardson believes the bill will eventually pass.

SURGEON'S KNIFE NOT NEEDED.

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ACADEMY.

This has been an exceptionally successful term for the Leon Academy. The total enrollment to date is 208. The average attendance for February was 181. Following are the Star and Honor Rolls for February:

Star Roll—Baugh Ferrell, Eva Dyer, Ernest H. Brown, Viola Horne, Lulu D. Keith, Sallie Lewis, Minna Alford, Genevieve Crawford, Nellie Davis, Clinton Dawkins, Ford Barco, Genie Carter, Mary Goodman, Julia Chaires, Edith Dyer, Lillian Aulton, Eva Hammett, Warren Wainwright, Helen Carter, Sarah Basha, Katie Barker, Florence Ellis, Bessie Wells, Jean Montgomery, Norman Sutton, Averta Brown, Rubie Byrd, Gladys Crawford, Pauline Forbes, Minnie Lander, Helen Saxon, Sammie Wainwright, Claire Scribner, Charlie Bradley, Arthur Alford, Pattie Carter, Mary Hay, Esther Ley.

Honor Roll—Wallace Quarterman, Robert Temple, John Clark, Theo. Rosedale, Lester Wells, Horace Van Brunt, Aaron Penn, Eloise McGuff, Blondys Gates, Carrie Ferrell, Hallie Ley, Mattie Rogers, Blount Myers, Geo. Johnson, Sarah Eppes, Ida Carter, Arabella King, Sussie Pearce, Richard Taylor, Frank Mallory, Willie Rozear, Gertrude Smith, Louise Clark, Flossie Myers, Emma Myers, George Wilson, Rufus Wainwright, Bertha Brown, Mary Davis, Nellie Alford.

GOLD WATCH CONTEST.

No more names will be added to the list, as it is our intention to bring the contest to a close soon. Now is your time to vote.

Up to going to press the standing of the candidates was as follows:

Miss Pearl McCard 819

Miss Octavia Lander 466

Miss Fannie Stanton 98

Miss Florence Lewis 95

Miss Bessie Chandler 90

Miss Bessie McInnis 58

Miss Gussie Chastenden 42

Miss Nellie Brown 27

Miss Mamie Andrews 27

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